**Amendments of the Claims**

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

1.    (Currently Amended) A method for managing the distribution of on-demand media using an interactive television application, the method comprising:

receiving a request for on-demand media from a user, wherein the on-demand media is associated with a suggested bandwidth for transmission of the on-demand media;

determining an available bandwidth that is available for the transmission of the on-demand media;

comparing the suggested bandwidth to the available bandwidth at a television distribution facility; and

providing an option ~~a plurality of options~~ for the transmission of the on-demand media to the user~~, the options being~~ that is based at least partially on the comparison of the suggested bandwidth to the available bandwidth, the ~~options~~ option relating to the transmission of the requested on-demand media ~~at a future time or~~ at a reduced bandwidth, wherein a selection of the option causes the requested media to be transmitted by the television distribution facility~~; and~~

~~presenting to the user on a display a plurality of sessions that are available for downloading the requested on-demand media over a range of future days~~.

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2. (Original) The method of claim 1 wherein receiving the request comprises receiving the request for real-time transmission of the on-demand media.

3. (Original) The method of claim 1 wherein receiving the request comprises receiving the request for transmission of the on-demand media at a future time.

4. (Original) The method of claim 1 wherein receiving the request comprises receiving the request for on-demand media that is selected from the group consisting of an audio selection, a video selection, an electronic publication, an electronic game, a software application, and any combination thereof.

5. (Original) The method of claim 1 further comprising presenting the suggested bandwidth to the user.

6. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 5 wherein presenting the suggested bandwidth to the user comprises displaying the suggested bandwidth on the display.

7. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 5 wherein presenting the suggested bandwidth to the user comprises displaying a graphical representation of the suggested bandwidth on the display.

8. (Original) The method of claim 5 wherein presenting the suggested bandwidth to the user comprises audibly presenting the suggested bandwidth.

9-10.  (Cancelled).


11.  (Previously Presented) The method of claim 1 further comprising presenting the available bandwidth to the user by displaying a graphical representation of the available bandwidth on the display.


12.  (Previously Presented) The method of claim 1 further comprising presenting the available bandwidth to the user by audibly presenting the available bandwidth.


13.  (Original) The method of claim 1 wherein comparing the suggested bandwidth to the available bandwidth comprises determining that the available bandwidth is greater than or equal to the suggested bandwidth.


14.  (Original) The method of claim 1 wherein comparing the suggested bandwidth to the available bandwidth comprises determining that the available bandwidth is less than the suggested bandwidth.


15.  (Currently Amended) The method of claim 1 wherein providing <u>the option</u> ~~a plurality of options~~ for the transmission of the on-demand media comprises providing the user with an ability to schedule a time for the transmission of the on-demand media to the user.


16.  (Cancelled).


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17.    (Original) The method of claim 15 wherein providing the user with the ability to schedule the time for the transmission of the on-demand media comprises basing a price for the transmission of the on-demand media on the scheduled time.

18.    (Currently Amended) The method of claim 1 wherein providing the option ~~a plurality of options~~ for the transmission of the on-demand media comprises recommending a time to the user for the transmission of the on-demand media to the user.

19.    (Currently Amended) The method of claim 1 wherein providing the option ~~a plurality of options~~ for the transmission of the on-demand media comprises presenting a general trend to the user of available time slots for transmitting on-demand media in response to user requests.

20.    (Cancelled).

21.    (Currently Amended) The method of claim ~~20~~ 1 wherein providing the user with the ability to request the version of the on-demand media having the reduced bandwidth comprises basing a price for the transmission of the on-demand media on the reduced bandwidth.

22.    (Currently Amended) The method of claim 1 further comprising providing another option ~~wherein providing the plurality of options for the transmission of the on-demand media comprises providing the option~~ to transmit the on-demand

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media to a recording device for presentation to the user at a scheduled time.

23.    (Original) The method of claim 22 wherein providing the option to transmit the on-demand media to the recording device for presentation to the user at the scheduled time comprises basing a price for the transmission of the on-demand media to the recording device on the scheduled time.

24.    (Original) The method of claim 22 further comprising transmitting the on-demand media in a plurality of sections wherein each section is transmitted at the suggested bandwidth.

25.    (Original) The method of claim 22 further comprising transmitting the on-demand media in a plurality of sections wherein at least one of the plurality of sections has a bandwidth that is different than the suggested bandwidth.

26.    (Original) The method of claim 22 further comprising transmitting the on-demand media at a bandwidth that is different than the suggested bandwidth.

27.    (Original) The method of claim 22 wherein providing the option to transmit the on-demand media to the recording device for presentation to the user at the scheduled time comprises basing a price for the transmission of the on-demand media on the available bandwidth.

28-36.    (Cancelled).

37.   (Currently Amended) A system for managing the distribution of on-demand media using an interactive television application, the system comprising:

a television distribution facility;

a user input interface;

local processing circuitry on which an interactive television application is at least partially implemented, wherein the local processing circuitry is configured to:

receive a request for on-demand media from the user input interface wherein the on-demand media is associated with a suggested bandwidth for transmission of the on-demand media;

determine an available bandwidth that is available for the transmission of the on-demand media;

compare the suggested bandwidth to the available bandwidth at the television distribution facility; and

provide an option ~~a plurality of options~~ for the transmission of the on-demand media to the user~~, the options being~~ that is based at least partially on the comparison of the suggested bandwidth to the available bandwidth, the ~~options~~ option relating to the transmission of the requested on-demand media ~~at a future time or~~ at a reduced bandwidth wherein a selection of the option causes the requested media to be transmitted by the television distribution facility~~; and~~

~~present to the user a plurality of sessions that are available for downloading the requested on-demand~~

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media over a range of future days; and

~~a display on which a plurality of sessions that are available for downloading the requested on-demand media over a range of future days is displayed~~.

38. (Original) The system of claim 37 wherein the request is a request for real-time transmission of the on-demand media.

39. (Original) The system of claim 37 wherein the request is a request for transmission of the on-demand media at a future time.

40. (Original) The system of claim 37 wherein the on-demand media is selected from the group consisting of an audio selection, a video selection, an electronic publication, an electronic game, a software application, and any combination thereof.

41. (Original) The system of claim 37 wherein the local processing circuitry is further configured to present the suggested bandwidth to the user.

42. (Currently Amended) The system of claim 41 further comprising a display on which ~~wherein~~ the suggested bandwidth is displayed ~~on the display~~.

43. (Currently Amended) The system of claim 41 further comprising a display on which ~~wherein~~ the suggested bandwidth is graphically presented ~~on the display~~.

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44.    (Original) The system of claim 41 further comprising a speaker from which the suggested bandwidth is audibly presented.

45-46.    (Cancelled).

47.    (Currently Amended) The system of claim 37 further comprising a display on which ~~wherein~~ the available bandwidth is graphically presented ~~on the display~~.

48.    (Previously Presented) The system of claim 37 further comprising a speaker from which the available bandwidth is audibly presented.

49.    (Original) The system of claim 37 wherein the local processing circuitry is further configured to determine that the available bandwidth is greater than or equal to the suggested bandwidth.

50.    (Original) The system of claim 37 wherein the local processing circuitry is further configured to determine that the available bandwidth is less than the suggested bandwidth.

51.    (Original) The system of claim 37 wherein the local processing circuitry is further configured to provide the user with an ability to schedule a time for the transmission of the on-demand media to the user.

52. (Cancelled).


53. (Original) The system of claim 51 wherein a price for the transmission of the on-demand media is based on the scheduled time.


54. (Original) The system of claim 37 wherein the local processing circuitry is further configured to recommend a time to the user for the transmission of the on-demand media to the user.


55. (Original) The system of claim 37 wherein the local processing circuitry is further configured to present a general trend to the user of available time slots for transmitting on-demand media in response to user requests.


56. (Cancelled).


57. (Currently Amended) The system of claim ~~56~~ <u>37</u> wherein a price for the transmission of the on-demand media is based on the reduced bandwidth.


58. (Original) The system of claim 37 further comprising a recording device, and wherein the local processing circuitry is further configured to transmit the on-demand media to the recording device for presentation to the user at a scheduled time.

59.    (Original) The system of claim 58 wherein a price for the transmission of the on-demand media to the recording device is based on the scheduled time.

60.    (Original) The system of claim 58 wherein the local processing circuitry is further configured to transmit the on-demand media in a plurality of sections and wherein each section is transmitted at the suggested bandwidth.

61.    (Original) The system of claim 58 wherein the local processing circuitry is further configured to transmit the on-demand media in a plurality of sections and wherein at least one of the plurality of sections has a bandwidth that is different than the suggested bandwidth.

62.    (Original) The system of claim 58 wherein the local processing circuitry is further configured to transmit the on-demand media at a bandwidth that is different than the suggested bandwidth.

63.    (Original) The system of claim 58 wherein a price for the transmission of the on-demand media is based on the available bandwidth.

64-72.    (Cancelled).

73.    (Currently Amended) A computer program product having a computer readable medium having computer program logic recorded thereon for managing the distribution of on-demand media, the computer program product comprising:

means for receiving a request for on-demand media from a user~~,~~ wherein the on-demand media is associated with a suggested bandwidth for transmission of the on-demand media;

means for determining an available bandwidth that is available for the transmission of the on-demand media;

means for comparing the suggested bandwidth to the available bandwidth at a television distribution facility; <u>and</u>

means for providing <u>an option</u> ~~a plurality of options~~ for the transmission of the on-demand media to the user~~, the options being~~ <u>that is</u> based at least partially on the comparison of the suggested bandwidth to the available bandwidth, the ~~options~~ <u>option</u> relating to the transmission of the requested on-demand media ~~at a future time~~ or at a reduced bandwidth<u>, wherein a selection of the option causes the requested media to be transmitted by the television distribution facility</u>~~; and~~

~~means for presenting to the user a plurality of sessions that are available for downloading the requested on-demand media over a range of future days~~.


74. (Original) The computer program product of claim 73 wherein the means for receiving the request comprises means for receiving the request for real-time transmission of the on-demand media.


75. (Original) The computer program product of claim 73 wherein the means for receiving the request comprises means

for receiving the request for transmission of the on-demand media at a future time.

76.    (Original) The computer program product of claim 73 wherein the on-demand media is selected from the group consisting of an audio selection, a video selection, an electronic publication, an electronic game, a software application, and any combination thereof.

77.    (Original) The computer program product of claim 73 further comprising means for presenting the suggested bandwidth to the user.

78.    (Currently Amended) The computer program product of claim 77 wherein the means for presenting the suggested bandwidth to the user comprises means for displaying the suggested bandwidth on a ~~the~~ display.

79.    (Currently Amended) The computer program product of claim 77 wherein the means for presenting the suggested bandwidth to the user comprises means for displaying a graphical representation of the suggested bandwidth on a ~~the~~ display.

80.    (Original) The computer program product of claim 77 wherein the means for presenting the suggested bandwidth to the user comprises means for audibly presenting the suggested bandwidth.

81-82.    (Cancelled).

83.     (Currently Amended) The computer program product of claim 73 further comprising wherein the means for presenting the available bandwidth to the user comprises means for displaying a graphical representation of the available bandwidth on a the display.

84.     (Previously Presented) The computer program product of claim 73 wherein the means for presenting the available bandwidth to the user comprises means for audibly presenting the available bandwidth.

85.     (Original) The computer program product of claim 73 wherein the means for comparing the suggested bandwidth to the available bandwidth comprises means for determining that the available bandwidth is greater than or equal to the suggested bandwidth.

86.     (Original) The computer program product of claim 73 wherein the means for comparing the suggested bandwidth to the available bandwidth comprises means for determining that the available bandwidth is less than the suggested bandwidth.

87.     (Currently Amended) The computer program product of claim 73 further comprising wherein the means for providing a plurality of options for the transmission of the on-demand media of the on-demand media, which comprises means for providing the user with an ability to schedule a time for the transmission of the on-demand media to the user.

88.    (Cancelled).


89.    (Original) The computer program product of claim 87 wherein a price for the transmission of the on-demand media is based on the scheduled time.


90.    (Previously Presented) The computer program product of claim 73 wherein the means for providing a plurality of options for the transmission of the on-demand media comprises means for recommending a time to the user for the transmission of the on-demand media to the user.


91.    (Currently Amended) The computer program product of claim 73 further comprising ~~wherein the~~ means for providing a plurality of options for the transmission of the on-demand media, which comprises means for presenting a general trend to the user of available time slots for transmitting on-demand media in response to user requests.


92.    (Cancelled).


93.    (Currently Amended) The computer program product of claim ~~92~~ 73 wherein a price for the transmission of the on-demand media is based on the reduced bandwidth.


94.    (Currently Amended) The computer program product of claim 73 further comprising ~~wherein the~~ means for providing a plurality of options for the transmission of the on-demand media, which comprises means for providing the option to

transmit the on-demand media to a recording device for presentation to the user at a scheduled time.

95.    (Original) The computer program product of claim 94 wherein a price for the transmission of the on-demand media to the recording device is based on the scheduled time.

96.    (Original) The computer program product of claim 94 further comprising means for transmitting the on-demand media in a plurality of sections wherein each section is transmitted at the suggested bandwidth.

97.    (Original) The computer program product of claim 94 further comprising means for transmitting the on-demand media in a plurality of sections wherein at least one of the plurality of sections has a bandwidth that is different than the suggested bandwidth.

98.    (Original) The computer program product of claim 94 further comprising means for transmitting the on-demand media at a bandwidth that is different than the suggested bandwidth.

99.    (Original) The computer program product of claim 94 wherein a price for the transmission of the on-demand media is based on the available bandwidth.

100-132.    (Cancelled).

133. (New)  The method of claim 1 further comprising:

providing another option relating to the transmission of the requested on-demand media at a future time; and

presenting to the user on a display a plurality of sessions that are available for downloading the requested on-demand media over a range of future days.


134.  (New)  The system of claim 37 wherein the local processing circuitry is further configured to:

provide another option relating to the transmission of the requested on-demand media at a future time; and

present to the user on a display a plurality of sessions that are available for downloading the requested on-demand media over a range of future days.


135.  (New)  The computer program product of claim 73 further comprising means for:

providing another option relating to the transmission of the requested on-demand media at a future time; and

presenting to the user on a display a plurality of sessions that are available for downloading the requested on-demand media over a range of future days.